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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application : Pieter Theodorus Johannes Aquarius  
Application No. : 10/810,349  
Filed : March 26, 2004  
Confirmation No. : 8227  
For : APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR LOADING CONTAINERS  
WITH BAGS  
Examiner : Michelle Lopez  
Attorney's Docket : VER-179XX

TC Art Unit: 3721

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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE  
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.312 AND  
COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Via Electronic Filing  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance, the Applicant submits the following remarks and respectfully requests that the amendments to the claims be entered without having to remove the application from issue.

Please **amend** independent claim 1 as shown in the Status of the Claims section beginning at page 2, *infra*. No new matter has been added.